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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL  
EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION	:	Administrative Action
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF	:	
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MICHAEL W. MILLER, PSY. D.	:	CONSENT ORDER
LICENSE # <del>1161</del> 1647	:	
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TO PRACTICE PSYCHOLOGY IN THE	:	
STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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This matter was opened before the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners based upon three consumer complaints involving sexual relations with respondent therapist, Michael W. Miller, Psy. D., a licensee of the Board.

Respondent appeared at an Investigative Inquiry and testified that he did have sexual relations with each of the three complainants but not until after the therapeutic relationship was terminated. Respondent failed to draw a clear distinction between termination of a therapeutic relationship and the client\therapist dependence.

The Board finds that Respondent evidenced poor judgment in entering into the sexual relationships; that respondent abused his client's trust; that respondent exercised undue influence over his clients; and that Respondent exploited the client\therapist

relationship.

It appearing that respondent wishes to resolve this matter without the necessity of formal proceedings and it further appearing that the Board finds that the public interest and health, safety and welfare are served and protected by the entry of this Order, and for good cause shown;

IT IS THEREFORE on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 1993

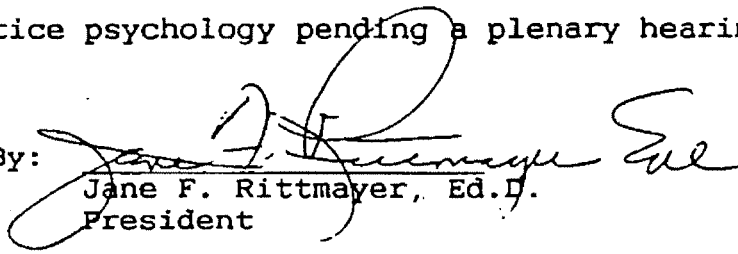
ORDERED:

1. Respondent's license to practice psychology shall be suspended for a period of two years, which suspension shall be stayed so long as respondent remains in compliance with the terms of this Order.
2. Respondent shall recruit the services of a licensed psychologist to act as his clinical supervisor for a period of two years, whose duties shall include a weekly conference with respondent, at which time respondent shall discuss the treatment plan and progress of all patients for whom respondent maintains primary responsibility. Said supervisor must be acceptable to the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners and shall provide the Board with quarterly reports, the first of which shall be due no later than six weeks following the entry of this Order. Reduction or change of this condition will be considered by the Board only upon the petition of the supervising psychologist.
3. Respondent shall continue weekly treatment with Dorothy Cantor, Ph.D., for a period of not less than one year.

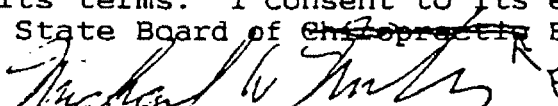
Respondent shall require Dr. <sup>C</sup>Kantor to provide the Board with documentation of his attendance and cooperation in the therapeutic process on a quarterly basis. If respondent terminates treatment, or fails to appear for a scheduled appointment without proper explanation, Dr. <sup>C</sup>Kantor shall immediately notify the Board office. If respondent determines to terminate his treatment with Dr. <sup>C</sup>Kantor for any reason, respondent shall notify the Board of the proposed change, and obtain Board approval of any substitute therapist.

4. Respondent shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$3,000 as well as \$2,570.41 in costs which are payable at the time of filing of this Order. Said payment shall be made by certified check made payable to the State of New Jersey.
5. Respondent shall provide a filed copy of this Order to his treating therapist and to the clinical supervisor.
6. Respondent's failure to comply with any of the terms of this Order may result in immediate suspension of his license to practice psychology pending a plenary hearing in this matter.

By:

  
Jane F. Rittmayer, Ed.D.  
President

I have read the within Consent Order and I understand and agree to be bound by its terms. I consent to its entry by the State Board of ~~Chiropractic~~ <sup>Psychological</sup> Examiners.

  
Michael W. Miller, Psy.D.